

(SRI A. R. PANCHAGAVI)

when the various major irrigation systems were first put in operation in the State;

(b) whether they are aware that no such concessions or development schemes have been extended to the Ghataprabha Canal area;

(c) if so, the steps taken?

A.—SRI H. C. LINGA REDDY (Deputy Minister for Planning and Development).—

(a) The following concessions have been given to the cultivators for developing irrigation in the Major Irrigation system :—

(1) Granting of loans to Irrigators for levelling and improving lands.

(2) Supplying chemical manure and improved seeds to the cultivators.

(3) Introduction of demonstration farms to educate them.

(4) Construction of filed channels by Government on behalf of the cultivators.

(5) Concession in water rates and relaxation of rules.

(b) All the above concessions have been extended to the irrigators under the Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal and in addition concessional water rates on a sliding scale are sanctioned as under:—

First Year	...	Nil
Second Year	..	25 per cent of water rates.
Third Year	...	50 do

Fourth Year and onwards—Full rates.

1. Field channels upto a limit of one cusec capacity are required to be excavated by the irrigators themselves. As the irrigators find this difficult to do, loans are given to them for this purpose, and in other cases this is being done by the Government on behalf of the irrigators and the cost will be recovered in easy instalments, later on.

2. Adequate number of foot and cart bridges have been provided to help the development of irrigation.

3. Penalties under the rules are not being inflicted in cases of irrigation in excess of that applied for and sanctioned.

4. Water rate for pre-seasonal watering given to kharif crops on the Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal was being charged for at the rate of Rs. 3 per watering is now treated as free.

5. In the case of water applications received after the date fixed for receipt of water applications, a higher rate at a certain percentage over the normal water rate depending on the crops is required to be charged. In the case of Ghataprabha Left Bank Canal the date of receipt of water applications for the kharif season 1958-59 had been extended upto 14th October 1958 without levying penalties.

6. A scheme costing a sum of Rs. 44,000 for the development of Irrigation under the Ghataprabha has been sanctioned and a sum of Rs 2,000 for supplying paddy No. S-705-Chitradurga paddy to the progressive cultivators under the project has also been sanctioned.

(c) As explained in replies to (a) and (b) above.

Languages to be learnt by Government Servants.

Q.—4258. Sri M. C. NARASIMHAN (Kolar Gold Fields) —

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the Government have issued orders requiring Government servants to learn Hindi;

(b) the other languages required to be learnt by Government servants?

A.—SRI B. D. JATTI (Chief Minister).—

(a) Yes, a copy of the Order No. GAD 3 RDE 57, dated 21st July 1958 issued in this behalf is appended.

(b) Kannada.